

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A television signal receiver having an emergency alert function, comprising:

a tuner operative to tune a frequency including emergency alert signals indicating an emergency event;

a processor operative to automatically enable a network connection, responsive to said emergency alert signals, to a source of information related to the emergency alert function and retrieve updated information related to the emergency alert function; and

a memory operative to store information associated with the emergency alert function, said memory further operative to receive updated information associated with the emergency alert function and replace said stored information associated with the emergency alert function with said updated information;

~~wherein said updated information is received via a network.~~

2. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 1, wherein the updated information comprises geographical area information.

3. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 2, wherein the geographical area information comprises a FIPS location code.

4. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 1, wherein the updated information comprises transmission frequency information.

5. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 1, wherein the updated information is provided via a website.

6. (Currently Amended) The television signal receiver of claim 5, ~~further comprising a~~ wherein said processor is operative to automatically enable a connection to the website responsive to the emergency alert signals.

7. (Currently Amended) The television signal receiver of claim 1 ~~6~~, wherein the processor is further operative to enable an alert output responsive to the emergency alert signals.

8. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 5, wherein the emergency alert signals include hyperlink data that enables access to the website.

9. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 1, wherein the updated information is automatically provided on a periodic basis.

10. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 1, wherein the updated information is used to setup the emergency alert function.

11. (Currently Amended) A television signal receiver having an emergency alert function, comprising:

tuning means for tuning a frequency including emergency alert signals indicating an emergency event;

processing means for automatically enable a network connection, responsive to said emergency alert signals, to a source of information related to the emergency alert function and retrieve updated information related to the emergency alert function; and

memory means for storing information associated with the emergency alert function, and for receiving updated information associated with the emergency alert function and replacing said stored information associated with the emergency alert function with said updated information;

~~wherein said updated information is received via a network.~~

12. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 11, wherein the updated information comprises geographical area information.

13. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 12, wherein the geographical area information comprises a FIPS location code.

14. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 11, wherein the updated information comprises transmission frequency information.

15. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 11, wherein the updated information is provided via a website.

16. (Currently Amended) The television signal receiver of claim 15, ~~further comprising~~
wherein said processing means ~~for~~ automatically ~~enabling~~ enable a connection to the
website responsive to the emergency alert signals.

17. (Currently Amended) The television signal receiver of claim 11 ~~46~~, wherein the
processing means further enables an alert output responsive to the emergency alert signals.

18. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 15, wherein the
emergency alert signals include hyperlink data that enables access to the website.

19. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 11, wherein the
updated information is automatically provided on a periodic basis.

20. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 11, wherein the
updated information is used to setup the emergency alert function.

21. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling a television signal receiver - having an emergency alert function, comprising:

tuning a frequency including emergency alert signals indicating an emergency event;

enabling a network connection, responsive to said emergency alert signals, to a source of information related to the emergency alert function and retrieving updated information related to the emergency alert function; and

storing information associated with the emergency alert function;

receiving updated information associated with the emergency alert function;

and

replacing said stored information associated with the emergency alert function with said updated information;

~~wherein said updated information is received via a network.~~

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein the updated information comprises geographical area information.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the geographical area information comprises a FIPS location code.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein the updated information comprises transmission frequency information.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein the updated information is provided via a website.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the television signal receiver is automatically connected to the website responsive to the emergency alert signals.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26, further comprised of providing an alert output responsive to the emergency alert signals.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the emergency alert signals include hyperlink data that enables access to the website.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein the updated information is automatically provided on a periodic basis.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, further comprised of enabling use of the updated information to setup the emergency alert function.